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walks
of
life*™

A pledge walk
to benefit
AIDS care
and research



On behalf of the AIDS Action Committee and all the recipient organizations of FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE, I salute the Lotus tradition of enlightened and forward-thinking leadership. Thank you for helping to underwrite the costs of this pledge walk which is the largest, most significant event yet held in New England to benefit AIDS care and research.

We also thank the thousands of walkers and volunteers who have made this day such a memorable one for us all. You have proven that the caring of people everywhere, regardless of their politics, preference, or persuasion, is the healing element most needed to meet this medical crisis.

Thank you for your spirit, energy, and commitment to life.

Sincerely,

Larry Kessler
Executive Director
AIDS Action Committee

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a 10 kilometer pledge walk to benefit
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**SUNDAY JUNE 1, 1986
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

Registration begins at 9:30am,
a fitness instructor will lead a
stretch/warm-up at 10:00am,
opening ceremonies at 10:30am

Walk begins at 11:00am

Produced by the AIDS Action Committee
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distribution of walk proceeds

In a show of commitment to the belief that we must all work together in meeting this health crisis, the AIDS Action Committee will distribute half of the proceeds from the walk to the following AIDS service organizations.

10% — **Elisabeth Kubler-Ross' AIDS Baby Hospice** will provide a homelike atmosphere for children with AIDS. The center is scheduled to be built on the Virginia farm of this world-renowned pioneer in the care of dying people and their families.

10% — **New England Hemophilia Association** provides information concerning AIDS/hemophilia related issues, promotes and encourages public awareness of this disease and its implications, and acts as a liaison with government and state agencies.

10% — **National AIDS Network/AIDS Action Council** are both national resource centers for AIDS education and service delivery on a federal, state and local level.

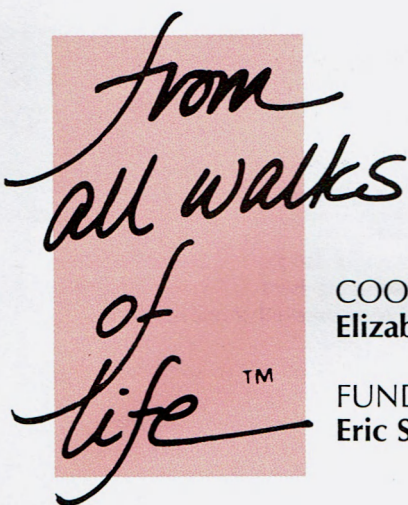
10% — **National Association of People with AIDS** — a grass-roots advocacy and educational organization of people with AIDS for people with AIDS.

10% — **Fenway Community Health Center** has been a primary health center in New England for 15 years. 11% of their patients in 1985 were treated for AIDS-related concerns, and they plan to expand their AIDS services and programs within the next year.

50% — **The AIDS Action Committee (AAC)** was founded in 1983 and staffed by a handful of volunteers until last year. The staff now includes 19 employees and over 500 volunteers. The AAC serves all of New England with a variety of programs for people with AIDS and their loved ones, as well as all people who need to learn more about the illness:

Programs include:

- housing
- direct financial assistance
- mental health programs
- educational workshops and seminars
- Action Hotline



COORDINATOR
Elizabeth Page

FUNDRAISING TEAM
Eric Sanders and Matt Stern

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MEDIA TEAM

Jamie O'Donnell, Paul Jones, Rolf Fuessler

Thanks to all the volunteers who gave countless hours to organize this event. A special note of gratitude to the following people who were so generous with their time and energy...

Harry Collings, Robert Aron, Laelia Mitchell, Jim Hinkle, Eric Sanders, Gail Ellison and Michael Smith.

Many thanks to the staff and other volunteers at the AIDS Action Committee for their patience and support.

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These people
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"Everyone must contribute their efforts in any way they can — I advocate that people first learn about the true nature of AIDS, and then fight the prejudice and misunderstanding surrounding it. Help us hit our stride in conquering this illness, please join FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE."

Bill Rogers

Four Time Boston
Marathon Winner

"As a physician and public health professional, I support the pledge walk, FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. The issue of AIDS and ARC is of concern to all of us; the walk also is to help raise some of the necessary funds and share our concerns with others. Best wishes for a successful day."

George A. Lamb, M.D.

Director, Community Health
Services and Epidemiology
City of Boston, Department of
Health and Hospitals

"The theme of this walk is the phrase, FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. This theme highlights the fact that treatment of those with AIDS, and the effort to find a cure, should be a concern to us all. To be afflicted by AIDS is a traumatic and potentially isolating experience, and that's why events like the walk, scheduled for June 1st — that raise both money and people's awareness about the disease — are so important."

**The Honorable
Raymond L. Flynn**
Mayor of Boston

"AIDS is one of the world's toughest opponents and we need to apply full court pressure in order to put this deadly disease on the defense. Once a cure is found, the ball will be in our court, but it takes teamwork to make that happen."

Dave Cowens

Former Center for the
Boston Celtics

"In our parish family we seek to minister to those suffering from AIDS. We support this walk to enhance that ministry."

AIDS Support Committee

Trinity Church, Copley Square

"There is no one whose life has been untouched by AIDS, whether we recognize that or not. As we have been thwarted heretofore by subtleties of molecular genetics and immunology, we have powerfully learned how to establish a community of caring. In New England, that catalyst has been the AIDS Action Committee."

Kenneth H. Mayer, M.D.

Chief, Infectious Disease
Division
Memorial Hospital

"As president of the Unitarian Universalist Association, a denomination which believes in the inherent dignity and worth of every person, compassion and human relationships, and is open to all people, I strongly support the AIDS Action Committee's efforts to help those FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE whose lives have been touched by AIDS."

Reverend William F. Schulz

President, Unitarian
Universalist Association

"Massachusetts can be proud of the balanced approach by the public and private sectors in responding to AIDS. The WALK is an innovative and timely way to further awareness and participation by everyone concerned about the challenge that AIDS represents."

George F. Grady, M.D.

State Epidemiologist

"The name of the event says it all — people FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE have AIDS and need our compassion, our help and our support."

Congressman Gerry E. Studds
10th District, Massachusetts

took the lead in encouraging people **FROM F LIFE** to participate in this important event . . .

"AIDS is not just a problem of one or two groups of people. It is society's problem . . . our problem. So we must all help in finding a solution."

Liz Walker

Anchorwoman, WBZ-TV

"As the numbers increase to over two million people afflicted with AIDS infection, we seek to find ways "to make a difference". Our effort FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE to cope with this disease is to bring it close to its cure."

**The Rt. Reverend
David E. Johnson**

Episcopal Diocese of
Massachusetts

"We are all at risk with this frightening new disease whose terminal, tragic course involves not only those who suffer from it, but an entire community of friends, relatives, and loved ones. We must put our energies into solving this dilemma and supporting each other against this killer virus."

Judy Collins

Entertainer

"AIDS must touch the life of every sensitive human being. We must not only reach out with our hearts but be generous with our hands. Please join me in supporting this walk."

Rabbi Daniel Kaplan

President, Massachusetts Board
of Rabbis

"AIDS is a major health crisis for all of us and we must join together to alleviate the suffering until a cure is found. Thanks to the AIDS Action Committee for providing such a terrific lead."

John Kerry

U.S. Senator, Massachusetts

"A Christian sense of compassion and responsibility demands that we support every endeavor that will provide medical and social assistance to the AIDS patient."

Participation and support of the special project — FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE — will be one positive sign of this concern. I encourage it!"

Bernard Cardinal Law

Archbishop of Boston

"The effort to involve individuals from varied backgrounds and disciplines in this most important function is one we should all support. AIDS in one way or another affects us all. Its ultimate eradication will require an unprecedented community effort. The day that we can put this epidemic behind us will be hastened by efforts such as the walk."

Martin S. Hirsch, M.D.

Massachusetts General
Hospital

*"Compassion **must** lead to action. It is not enough to feel sorry for people with AIDS, there's too much work to be done and we all share the responsibility to see that it is done."*

Sarah Caldwell

Artistic Director
Opera Company of Boston

"The fight against AIDS is a human battle which unites us all. FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE will be an important day for all of us committed to building a network of care and research that is both responsive and effective."

His Excellency

Michael S. Dukakis

Governor of Massachusetts

"Step out for Life!"

Rita Mae Brown

Novelist

Face Setters

"FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE promises to raise general awareness about the public health crisis AIDS presents. Education is key to not only preventing the spread of the disease but also to understanding that social ostracism and discrimination are tools of political control, not of sound medical policy."

David Scondras

Boston City Council

"AIDS is an extremely grave and tragic illness, and we are all extremely concerned about it. Only through education and awareness can a prevention and cure be found for this disease. Please support FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE on June 1st.

John Williams

Conductor,
Boston Pops Orchestra

"Just as vigorously as we work to stop the insane nuclear arms race or the outrage of racial violence, we must join in common efforts to stop the killer disease AIDS. The work of the AIDS Action Committee and other groups is part of the critically important effort to re-direct this nation's priorities toward finding cures for diseases, and away from building weapons of mass destruction."

Mel King

Professor at MIT
Candidate for 8th Congressional District

"I can think of few opportunities people have to contribute more directly to save lives of their fellow human beings and helping all walks of life."

Congressman Barney Frank

4th District, Massachusetts

"There is great power in caring people united in helping others. The power is enhanced when they are moving together in love. I am with you on your walk."

Leo Buscaglia, Ph.D.

Author, Lecturer

"AIDS is the number one public health issue of our time. We all have a responsibility to support efforts for research and education. Most of all, we must show compassion for those living with AIDS."

Jeanne Blake

Medical Reporter
WBZ-TV

Donald E. Craven

Associate Professor of
Medicine
Boston University School of
Medicine, Boston City
Hospital

Reverend Dr. James A. Nash

Executive Director
Massachusetts Council of
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Author

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Musician

Bernadette Peters

Actress

Reverend Hugh Weaver

Ecumenical Task Force
on AIDS

in special recognition

**The
following
groups and
organizations
committed 25
people or more to
walking on this
special day –**

Sterling Institute of Relationship
Fenway Community Health Center
New England Hemophilia Association
North Shore Gay and Lesbian Alliance
University Hospital Nursing Department and General Staff
Somerville/Medford Gay and Lesbian Alliance
Gus and Bunky's POD Squad
Massachusetts State Department of Mental Health Employees
Children's Hospital Staff
Daughters of Bilitis
Chiltern Mountain Club
Dorchester Gay and Lesbian Alliance
New England Gay and Lesbian Vets
Visiting Nurse Association of Boston
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What is AIDS?

"AIDS" stands for Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, a disease which breaks down a part of the body's immune system. This breakdown leaves the body vulnerable to a variety of unusual, life-threatening illnesses. These diseases may result in death. The most common illnesses found in people with AIDS are *Pneumocystis carinii* pneumonia (PCP) and Kaposi's sarcoma (KS), a form of skin cancer.

AIDS cases have been documented as early as 1977. Since then 20,000 cases have been diagnosed in the United States alone. Scientists expect the AIDS epidemic to continue to spread. There is no vaccine against AIDS. The only method now available to slow the epidemic is education about how to prevent transmission of the virus.

remember...

AIDS IS A PREVENTABLE DISEASE.

AIDS IS NOT CASUALLY CONTAGIOUS.

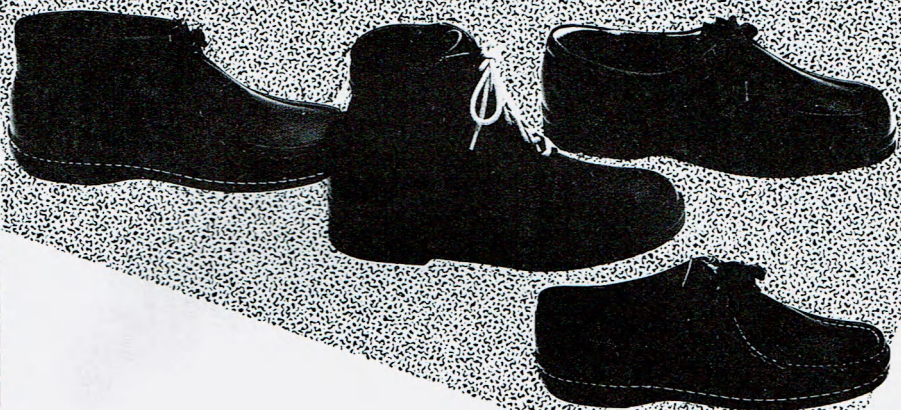
ONLY A QUALIFIED PHYSICIAN CAN DIAGNOSE AIDS.

ANYONE—MALE OR FEMALE, STRAIGHT OR GAY, OLD OR YOUNG, AND OF ANY RACE—CAN GET AIDS IF INFECTED THROUGH SEXUAL CONTACT OR BLOOD-TO-BLOOD TRANSMISSION.

PEOPLE WITH AIDS NEED OUR SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT.

For more information on AIDS and ARC contact the:
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Boston, MA 02116, 437-6200,
Hotline: 536-7733, 1-800-235-2331

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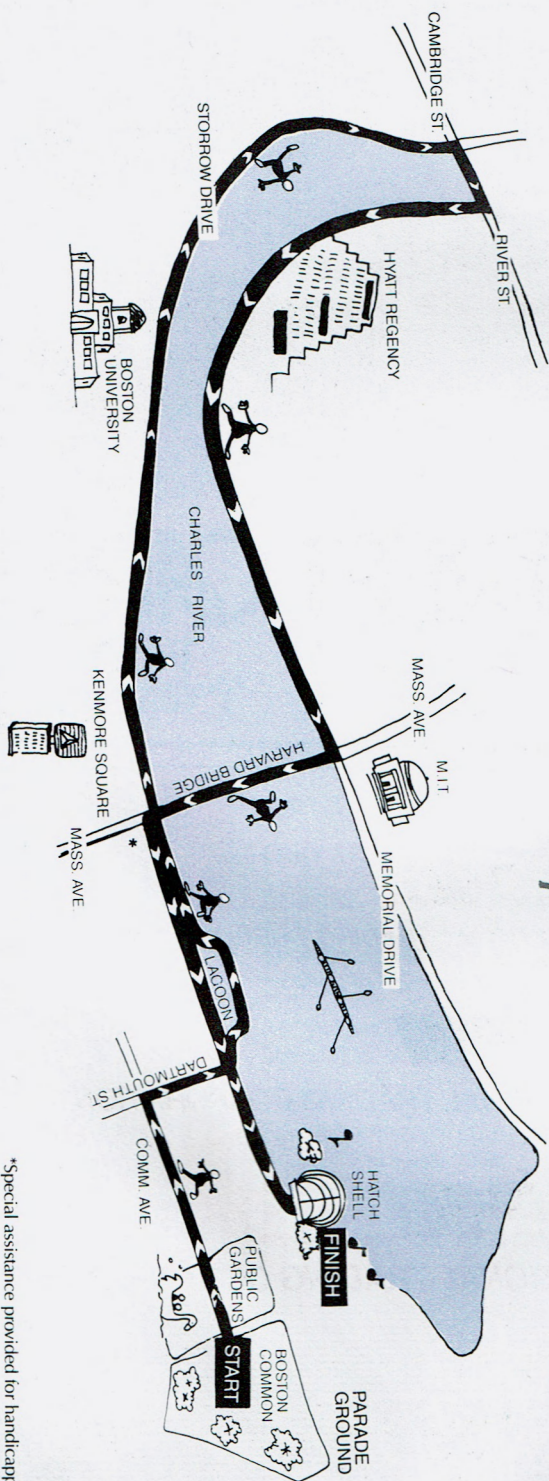


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